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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR FEDERAL ENERGY ADMINISTRATION PUBLICATIONS

REF: STATE 245181 OF NOVEMBER 7, 1974

SUMMARY. EMBASSY STILL NEEDS BUT HAS NEVER RECEIVED FEA STATISTICS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS DESPITE ARRANGEMENTS WHICH WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN MADE FOUR MONTHS AGO. EMBASSY PROPOSES TO SHARE APPROPRIATE FEA PUBLICATIONS AND STUDIES WITH FNG. END SUMMARY.

1. ON TWO OCCASIONS IN OCTOBER 1974 (LAGOS 9200 AND 9879) WE SUGGESTED THAT FEA OIL STATISTICS BE AIRPOUCHED ON REGULAR AND PROMPT BASIS TO THIS AND OTHER EMBASSIES IN OPEC COUNTRIES. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NOTHING TO DATE DESPITE DEPARTMENTS AGREEMENT (PAR 4 REFTEL) AND CLAIM THAT ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE FOR REGULAR MAILINGS FROM FEA "BEGINNING IMMEDIATELY."

2. USIS RECENTLY RECEIVED, APPARENTLY BY SURFACE POUCH, ONE COPY OF "PROJECT INDEPENDENCE REPORT" AND OCTOBER 1974 ISSUE
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OF "MONTHLY ENERGY REVIEW." THESE ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC IN USIS REFERENCE LIBRARY.

3. EMBASSY NEEDS ITS OWN COPY OF SUCH FEA PUBLICATION ASAP AFTER PUBLICATION. UNDOUBTEDLY EVEN MORE CURRENT STATISTICS ARE AVAILABLE FROM FEA, PLUS STUDIES AND MEMORANDA OF ALL KINDS WHICH WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.

4. QUESTION ALSO ARISES OF DISTRIBUTION OF FEA PUBLICATIONS AND UNCLASSIFIED STUDIES TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS. AS SOON AS IT LEARNS WHAT IS AVAILABLE, EMBASSY INTENDS TO RECOMMEND THAT FEA PERIODICALS BE MAILED DIRECTLY TO CERTAIN FNG AND NNOC RECIPIENTS AND THAT APPROPRIATE FEA STUDIES BE AIR-POUCHED TO EMBASSY FOR SELECTIVE PLACEMENT WITH NIGERIAN OFFICIALS.

5. DURING WASHINGTON VISIT IN JUNE 1974, EMBOFF OBTAINED COPY OF "A DISCUSSION OF THE WORLD ENERGY MARKET IN 1980 AND 1985" PUBLISHED BY FEO IN APRIL 1974. THIS IS ONE EXAMPLE OF A TECHNICAL STUDY WHICH, IF AUTHORIZED BY WASHINGTON, MIGHT HAVE BEEN IN THE US INTEREST TO SHARE WITH GOVERNMENTS OF PRODUCING COUNTRIES. THE NIGERIANS ARE RECEIVING FEW IF ANY SUCH STUDIES FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN OPEC.

6. FYI. APART FROM FEA, EMBASSY NOW RECEIVES "MINERAL INDUSTRY SURVEYS" ON OIL AND GAS FROM BUREAU OF MINES, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUT SEES NOTHING FROM ENERGY RESOURCES COUNCIL, NATIONAL PETROLEUM COUNCIL, FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION, ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE, AMERICAN GAS ASSOCIATION, OR OTHER WASHINGTON-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ALSO GENERATE STUDIES AND STATISTICS WHICH MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO EMBASSY OR NIGERIAN GOVERNMENT. (EMBASSY HAS ALSO NOT RECEIVED ANY RECENT ENERGY STUDIES OF THE OECD OR IEA.)

EMBASSY REQUESTED DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY STUDIES IN NOVEMBER 1974 (LAGOS 10576) WITHOUT RESULT. END FYI. CROSBY

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